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ADJOURNED MEETING.

The first adjourned town meeting was held Monday evening in Town hall, and in spite of the snow storm every seat was taken and the back part of the hall was packed with citizens who found only standing room.

Promptly at 7.45, the time advertised, Moderator Robinson's gavel fell and the meeting was called to order, and immediately after Prof. Peter Schwamb, of the board of water commissioners, asked that Article 31 be taken up, and made a motion which read as follows:

"That the sum of \$38,000 be appropriated for the erection of a school on the site of the Cutter school or on any lands added thereto as the town may by vote determine, and that an additional sum of \$2000 be appropriated for furnishing such school house, and that the town borrow \$38,000 of said combined sums, and in payment thereof issue negotiable notes or bonds, one for \$4000 payable during the year 1901; and eight for \$4000 each payable one in each succeeding year thereafter; said notes or bonds to be signed by the treasurer and countersigned by the selectmen, and designated on the face thereof 'Cutter School Loan,' and to bear interest payable semi-annually at a rate of not exceeding 4 per cent. per annum, also that the remaining \$4000 be raised by general taxation."

It was so voted.

Mr. Schwamb then had the lights extinguished, and upon a canvas was displayed, by means of a stereopticon, a map of the town showing the relative areal distances covered by the various schools, the same being clearly explained.

The plans of the new building were then thrown upon the canvas and also a drawing of the building as it would look when completed. The details of the building were explained in an interesting manner by Mr. Schwamb. The building is to be three stories high, the dimensions being 65x90 feet and the outside sanitary 27x48 feet which is connected with the main building. The class rooms on the first floor will be 28x32, the second floor being the same, while a hall 60 feet square. All the sanitary, heating and ventilating has been made a chief feature.

The building is so constructed that an addition can be added with comparatively little cost. The plans were selected from 17 submitted to the committee.

Mr. W. H. H. Tuttle then made a motion as follows:

"That the committee appointed Nov. 20, 1899, to consider the question of a new school building in the Cutter district, consisting of Peter Schwamb, Walter H. Pierce, J. P. Dennett, John W. White, E. Nelson Blake, to be a committee to build the new school building in the Cutter district, and that said committee have full power and authority in the matter of the erection and furnishing of said building."

This was also carried.

Upon motion of Mr. F. W. Hodgdon, Article 20, relative to the report of the selectmen being accepted, was carried.

The vote on the grading of Broadway caused considerable merriment for a time. Three yeas and no votes were taken, with no satisfactory result.

C. T. Scannell moved a division of the question, and the moderator ordered a rising vote, appointing Messrs J. J. Mahoney, C. T. Scannell, S. B. Wood and Horace A. Freeman as tellers, the result being 240 in favor of letting the work out by contract with one against it.

Mr. W. A. Nolan made a decided hit in his remarks concerning the outside poor appropriation, the committee of 21 recommending \$3500 only. Mr. Nolan thought this inadequate and far below what the overseers of the poor asked for, hoping that \$1500 would be appropriated, but after Mr. Farmer stated that \$4000 would be sufficient, Mr. Nolan said he would reconsider his previous motion and accept Mr. Farmer's request, and the latter sum was voted.

Mr. H. A. Freeman asked that \$3000 be added to the Cutter school appropriation for the completion of the hall in the same, the amount to be raised by taxation of 1900. Voted.

Article 33 brought out a prolonged discussion. Mr. Schwamb thought the board ought to have full charge of hydrants, and that new pipes should be laid to replace the old cement-lined pipes, asking that \$6000 be appropriated for this purpose.

Mr. F. W. Goddard thought the amount excessive.

Mr. Schwamb then made motion, "That \$500 be received by the Met. O. I. Water Board for pumping machine, and be appropriated for the use of the water board." Voted.

Mr. Tuttle made motion in addition to the school question as follows: "That it is the sense of this meeting that no young pupils be admitted to the schools excepting in the month of September."

Mr. Scannell made motion that when the meeting adjourned it do so to meet again on Monday, April 2. Adjournment was then in order.

The following were the appropriations voted for the year 1900:

Alms house	\$2000 00
Board of health	1000 00
Board of survey	300 00
Broadway	15,000 00

The committee recommend that the selectmen have said work let out by contract.	
Broadway drain (unexpended balance)	731 47
Counsel fees	300 00
Cemeteries, care and sale of lots and Discounts and abatements	350 00
Drain off Chestnut street (unexpended balance)	5500 00
Fire department	899 00
Health department, sale of offal, ashes and	9400 00
Highways and bridges	2900 00

The committee recommend that the following amounts already in the town treasury be appropriated:

Highways and bridges (unexpended balance)	\$2457 77
Sale of land on Mystic	

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SURPRISED.

On Tuesday evening just as Mr. and Mrs. William M. Peppard had settled themselves in the cozy sitting room of their pleasant home, 934 Mass. ave. to review the earlier days of their happy married life, there came a vigorous ringing of their door bell which proved to be the initial announcement of a large number of friends, who coming all unheralded, completely captured by surprise mine host and hostess. But Mr. and Mrs. Peppard, equal to any and every emergency, soon recovered themselves so that they made the large company feel at home without any unnecessary or formal delay. The friends present all counted, made up good and strong, a hundred. The start was made from the home of Mrs. Henry Schuhmacher, where we suspect the surprise was planned. The evening was delightfully spent in progressive whist, dancing, and pleasant conversation. At the several tables of whist, the ladies held most of the trumps, and what was equally fortunate, the trump was almost in every instance, hearts; and as one may well suspect, the ladies knew just how to play them so as to take the trick. Who ever knew a pretty woman who couldn't play hearts for all they are worth?

The dancing to the music of four violins was much enjoyed. The gentlemen with their fair partners went through the bewitching waltz with the lightest and most graceful step. Refreshments were served in an elegant way.

A beautiful and costly French clock was presented Mr. and Mrs. Peppard on behalf of the friends by Mr. Martin in a neat little speech, to which Mr. Peppard happily responded on behalf of himself and wife.

We desire to give emphasis to the fact that the company was in every way a delightful one. Mrs. Peppard and her husband well understand the art of entertaining, while the guests of the evening entered heartily into the full spirit of the occasion. The ladies present were attractive in all the graces so characteristic of their sex, while the gentlemen were appreciative of the above accomplishments, and naturally enough "all went merry as a marriage bell." The best of wishes and a long life to Mr. and Mrs. Peppard were spoken as the goodbye was said in the "wee sma' hours" of the morning.

Among those present from Arlington were the following: Mr. and Mrs. King, Mr. and Mrs. William Gratto, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Donahue, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Makin, Mr. and Mrs. Aiken, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. P. Schwamb, Mr. and Mrs. J. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schuhmacher, Mr. and Mrs. J. Lindsey, Mr. and Mrs. T. Magee, Misses Mary Finlayson, Fannie Finley, Hattie Wilson, Amanda Dingwell, Rose Spencer, May Finlayson, Mamie Donahue, the Misses Nickerson, Eliza Schwamb, Helen Peppard, Mary Schuhmacher, Catherine Schwamb, and Messrs. George Magee, William Irvin, Henry Schuhmacher, Peter McLeod, James Holman, Sam Nickerson, John Irvin, Neil McDougal, John McDougal, Frank McMillen, Walter Schuhmacher, Willie Finley, George Wilson and James Campbell; as well as Mrs. Lucas from Southbridge, Mr. and Mrs. Martin from Brookline, Mr. and Mrs. Faulkner from Medford, Mr. and Mrs. McKenize from Dorchester and Miss Maud Fraser from Boston.

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BOAT CLUB NIGHT.

The Arlington Boat club gave on Wednesday evening in the Town hall another of its enjoyable entertainments. The programme was made up of a choice variety of selections. The following artists rendered in a delightful way the parts assigned: Mrs. Edward D. Hooker, reader; Miss Edith V. Trowbridge violinist; Miss Adah C. Hussey, Roxbury, contralto; Master Bryant Frost, Medford, pianist; Mr. William Burton Robinson, formerly of Arlington, bass; Miss Grace Trowbridge, accompanist; Frank O. Nash, accompanist.

The first upon the programme was a piano solo by Master Frost, a lad in his early teens, a rendition which was heartily received by the audience. For one so young in years Master Frost as a pianist has a promising future before him.

The solo, "Knowest thou the land?" sung by Miss Adah Hussey, was a brilliant feature of the evening. Miss Hussey has a voice of wide range and of peculiar sweetness, and what is equally evident she has it in excellent tune. Miss Hussey responded to the enthusiastic encore given by rendering a second selection. In the singing of "My heart is thine" and "My little Love", Miss Hussey evinced the art of the professional. The two violin solos, "Concerts" and "Hungarian Melody" by Miss Edith Trowbridge, with Miss Grace Trowbridge accompanist, were effectively rendered. Miss Trowbridge has added to her charm as a violinist, that of an inviting presence, so in a pleasant, graceful way she draws her audience close about her. Miss Trowbridge was enthusiastically applauded, in answer to which she gave choice selections. Mrs. Edward D. Hooker read the "Chariot Race" from Ben Hur with fine effect. This selection is one difficult to render, by reason of the variety of expression required to make simple and at the same time forceful its meaning. Mrs. Hooker brought out in a delightful way, the thought of the author. Mrs. Hooker's rendering of "Seeing Things at Night" was a charming piece of acting and voice culture.

Mrs. Hooker responded to the persistent applause given her. She was made the recipient of a tastefully arranged and fragrant bouquet. Mr. William Burton Robinson sang "Thy Sentinel am I," and the "Stein Song," with much expression. Mr. Robinson was encored to which he happily responded. Master Frost, on rendering his second piano solo, received from some one of his admirers in the audience, a generous variety of bud and blossom. The Arlington Boat Club may well feel assured, that it gave through the entertainment of Wednesday evening, a delightful home light to its many friends.

WOMAN'S CLUB.

Mrs. Pfeiffer read an interesting paper on Thursday afternoon before the Arlington Woman's Club on "Holand."

The next meeting of the Arlington Woman's club will occur next Thursday, April 5. It will be held in the own hall, that all may be accommodated. Professor John Fiske of Cambridge will speak on "The old and new ways of treating history."

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"A BRAW NIGHT."

"Auld Scotland may be rugged,
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The entertainment given in the G. A. R. hall on Thursday evening, under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid society of the Pleasant street Congregational church, in the form of a Scotch entertainment, will long be remembered as a red-letter event in the history of amusements in Arlington during the season now drawing to a close. During this winter, entertainments, varied in their nature, have been so numerous in our good town that scarcely an evening has passed on which our amusement-loving citizens could fail to spend a pleasant hour or two. Differing in a great degree to those already given, was the entertainment to which we at present refer, and which was a decided success in every respect. The next best thing to being actually at home in the land of our birth, is to be among and listening to those who hail from the same land across the water; and after entering the hall on Thursday evening, and being met at the door by a typical brawny Highlander, and catching a glimpse here and there of the familiar tartan, together with a glance over the well-arranged programme, we unwittingly indulged in a short day-dream. Once more we were chasing the butterflies across the daisy-spangled fields, or catching the speckled trout in the winding river that took its lazy circuitous course along the foot of the giant hoary hill. Memory travelled at an amazing pace in that brief period as we sat waiting for the opening of the programme, and events forgotten for many years rose up and stared us in the face. The opening bars of the piano solo by Mr. Frederic C. Butterfield awoke us with a start, and it was with difficulty we repressed the cry that involuntarily arose to our lips:

"Oh, why left I my home?
Why did I cross the deep?
Oh, why left I the land
Where my forefathers sleep?
I sigh for Scotland's shore,
And I gaze across the sea,
But I cannot get a blink
O' my ain countrie."

The hall was filled to its utmost by one of the most enthusiastic and appreciative audiences ever gathered within its walls, who were delighted with the entertainment from beginning to end, and from expressions we heard at the close, were sorry the end came so soon. Too much praise cannot be given Mrs. Walter Crosby and Mrs. Winfield S. Dargin for their untiring efforts to provide this unique treat, and we doubt not they were in a great measure repaid in the delight and enthusiasm of those present.

After the piano solo, by Mr. Butterfield, Mr. John Anderson of the Floating hospital appeared before the audience. Everybody knows Mr. Anderson, and his appearance was greeted with loud applause. In a few remarks, in "quid auld-farrant Scotch," he announced his first reading as "A Scot indeed," a copy of which he had personally received from the author, Dr. Watson, better known as Ian Maclaren, at the home of the latter in Liverpool, where Mr. Anderson visited him a little over a year ago. This reading, a most pathetic and touching story, was given with a pathos and feeling which kept his audience spell-bound throughout—hanging on his every word with breathless intensity—and towards its close more than one handkerchief surreptitiously found its way to the face of its owner. It were useless on our part to criticise Mr. Anderson's ability as a reader, but when a reader can, we might say, magnetize an audience in this country with language "maistly Scotch," then, indeed, little remains to be said. Notwithstanding his nineteen years' residence in America, Mr. Anderson still talks with a particularly broad Scotch accent. Later in the evening he read "Mr. Pinkerton's new leg," which he preceded with a few remarks as to how a Scotchman feels on revisiting the land of his birth, in which he thrilled his hearers by his "pawky" and humorous sallies, closing by saying that he was so delighted at once more seeing Loch Lomond that he exclaimed: "I wad rather be drowned in Loch Lomond than be mayor of Chicago." The reading kept his audience in perfect roars of

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So long as the citizens of any locality all pull together, there is little or no difficulty in drawing the biggest kind of a load up the steepest sort of a hill. Arlington has been uniformly distinguished for that degree of unanimity upon town affairs which has kept her well to the front. The town meeting on Monday evening is in evidence of the above fact. It is always a healthful indication in the wellbeing of any locality when it will vote generous appropriations for the public good, and this, too, without a murmur. We extend our congratulations to Arlington, that it willingly does the right thing at the right time.

The appropriation voted for a new school building in the Cutter district is a deserving and timely act. The Enterprise gives renewed greeting to the teachers, pupils and patrons in the Cutter school district that they are to have in the near future a building for educational purposes that will be modern and convenient in every way. Forty thousand dollars will give our old home district an additional interest in a work in which it has always taken a delight and a pride.

The generous appropriations voted for the maintenance of the schools for the coming year speaks most favorably of our people. And then the sum granted the Robbins library is a still further confirmation of the abiding and growing interest that Arlington takes in educational matters. So long as we keep ourselves in closest touch with our public schools, so long will the present and future of our people be assured. The money voted for our highways is a further declaration that we are determined to keep ourselves abreast with the advanced movement of these later days. Arlington is all right, and she will continue all right so long as she allows good common sense and an abounding good nature to have their rightful way.

As a town, we are unsurpassed in situation, and beside, we have a people who always keep an open ear and a sharp lookout for that which is the best and the latest in everything which has for its object the public welfare.

"THE SMART SET."

Now comes the self-styled "smart set" of the Greater New York with its monthly magazine of the same assumptive name. We have read or rather attempted to read its first number of vol. 1, dated March, 1900. We are at something of a loss to know just what to say of this initial number of the magazine. We may safely, however, declare that as a whole we are not interested in it. The underlying thought of the magazine seems to be based upon the intrigues of love, and by this we mean a love begotten of a pretty face, an attractive form and stagey manners. In the first place, the name of the magazine is against it. What is meant by the "smart set?" Not necessarily intellectual ability and culture in excess of those of more modest pretensions. As its name suggests, it means the society life of New York and Newport. It substantially means a life made up for set occasions. It means a playing into each other's hands. It is largely a study how to please that other man, and that other woman. Its first thought is not of home. This "Smart Set," does not touch life at its most substantial points. We do not mean to say that the magazine to which we refer, has no ability connected with its make-up. We of course recognize that Julian Hawthorne, Ella Wheeler Wilcox, Mrs. Burton Harrison, Mrs. Van Rensselaer Cruger, understand how to swing the pen, and yet the magazine as a whole is permeated with that love that selfishly plays its own game. Mrs. Cruger who under the signature of "Julien Gordon" has written some bright stories both in the world of fiction and in the world of fact, does not do herself justice in this first number of the "Smart Set." She writes of "A Modern Mother," in the form of play laying the scene at a Villa at Cannes. We have with no little care, read and reread what Mrs. Van Rensselaer Cruger has to say in a tragic or comic way how you choose to put it, of the "Modern Mother," but we have not been able to see anything in the article worthy of her pen. One of the striking features of the play if we may so call it, is the frequent slang phrase used. To smoke cigarettes, and say "d-n" ought not to be considered in keeping with the "Modern Mother." The long and short of the story is that her son Alfred, a married man is deeply enamored of another lady, and the mother to avert awkward difficulties, influences the young lady so effectively, that she marries another man, before Alfred makes complete fool of himself.

We'll venture that the "Smart Set," will never prove itself a worthy competitor of our more popular magazines. It will take something more than thousand dollar prizes paid out by its own

set to someone of its own members, to put this latest in the magazine world, alongside that which shall live on by reason of the highest ideals in the literary world.

A JOURNALISTIC FAILURE.

In every instance will that prove a journalistic failure in the newspaper world which does not take in and fully appreciate the existing conditions or surroundings. The Rev. Mr. Sheldon ought to have known from the start that no paper could succeed that did not chronicle the daily doings of this busy and wicked world, if he so chooses to term it. While it is a laudable ambition to pattern after the master, yet we must recognize at the same time that our lot has been cast in with fallen humanity. And this fact the very Christ himself recognized, for did he not eat with publicans and sinners? And did he not say to the woman who was caught in the very act of adultery, "Neither do I condemn thee, go and sin no more." Christ appreciated the fact all along his earthly life that he had to do with men and women, and he adapted himself to this condition of things. Mr. Sheldon's mistake was not so much that he attempted to run a paper as Christ would have run it, but that he exalted the Christ into that sphere of action which left the human kind all alone and unaided in this lower world of ours. One of the most encouraging truths that the master has left us is that during his something more than thirty years on earth he came in closest touch with men and women just as they are. He didn't fear to publish more or less frequently in a scathing way a world lying in wickedness.

While we firmly believe that the daily and weekly newspaper should prove itself an educator in all that is best and purest, still we do not question that it is doing its legitimate work when it gives space in reputable language to the various forms of wickedness seen on every side. Sin must be rebuked in high places, and in no better way is this done than through the columns of the public journal. Take New York city, for instance, with its wide open saloons and brothels. How shall their pernicious and deadly influences be met and overcome, unless they are shown up in public print in a light that shall forewarn the young and the older grown as well. In our opinion it is a radical mistake to keep our children uninformed of the thousand and one dangers that are awaiting them. Why not put out the red light early in their lives, so they may know there is danger ahead? It is true, and to our shame be it said, that we fathers and mothers too frequently leave our boys to stumble all uninformed and unprepared upon the tempter. The newspaper, if it does its duty, will proclaim aloud much that will fall unpleasantly on many an ear. But what are you going to do about it? Will you leave the young innocent girl to the accursed wiles of the seducer? Will you allow your boy to go out into the great, busy world, thinking that he will find a veritable heaven on every side? Are we to keep our mouths closed and lay aside our pens, and so allow the devil to have it all his own way? No, no, we are to show ourselves sensible men and women, and so not hesitate to recognize that there is a perpetual warfare going on between virtue and vice, with the chances too frequently on the side of vice. That father and mother who will not tell the children of every temptation they will be likely to meet as they go out into life, commit hardly less than the unpardonable sin. And in like manner, that newspaper that will not forewarn the people in a proper way of the ten thousand evils on earth is falling far short of its privilege and its duty.

Mr. Sheldon must not forget that we are still inhabitants of the earth. Try as we may, we shall not be able to fence off any little heaven here below. Here we are, and we in the newspaper world must meet, as others must meet, conditions as they actually exist. Mr. Sheldon in his newspaper experience has evinced "a zeal which is not according to knowledge." "Give us the news" will continue to be the rightful demand of the people.

THAT SCHOOL LUNCH.

That school lunch for the High school pupils, which we suggested to our school committee in the last issue of the Enterprise, has already received the favorable consideration of those interested in the Belmont High school. The following we clip from last week's Watertown Enterprise:

Lunch at the Belmont High school continues to be served at 10.30 every school morning, and is meeting with success. The aim of this charge is to furnish nourishing, home-made food suitable for growing children, instead of baker's goods, pickles or candy, the traditional lunch eaten by school boys and girls in many places. Also to offer food which may be easily digested, in order that it may not interfere with study, as is the result when food is eaten which needs a long time for the process of digestion. This is the fare that was served the past week: Hot chocolate or cocoa, hot tomato soup, cold milk, ham sandwiches, raspberry jam sandwiches, bread and butter, graham wafers, saltine biscuits, molasses cookies, rennet custard, bananas, oranges, figs. The scheme has the financial aid and personal supervision of two public spirited ladies, who are giving time, thought and money to place this most desirable lunch before the teachers and children at the High school building. The price of the food has been placed as low as possible. Belmont is to be congratulated on the possession of such citizens, and should respond heartily to this effort for the health of the children.

Now, who of the mothers here in Arlington, under the direction of the school committee, will at once make similar arrangements for a daily lunch for the pupils in our High school? This purchasing of street vendors and at the

bakery is a dyspeptic way of doing things. Mothers, what have you to say in reply to our suggestion? Let us hear from you.

A THROUGH EXPRESS.

What Arlington needs, and ought somehow to secure, is certain express electricians from Boston to this point. The amount of patronage given by Arlington to the electric railway is sufficient, it seems to us, to warrant the asking of just such a favor. It is peculiarly trying to the patience of a business man to be compelled to spend an hour in an overcrowded electric car in order to make his Arlington home from the city. And then there is many an Arlington woman, wearied out with her day's shopping, who would greatly appreciate a seat and an uninterrupted ride home from her run about in the city. It is passing strange why Arlington people before this have not asked of the proper authorities certain express electricians during the day from and to Boston. Of this we may be positively sure, that this favor and, we may say, right, will never be granted until the request is made. Why not make the request, and make it now?

RESCIND THE VOTE.

The town seems lavish of money when it appropriates two thousand dollars to finish off a hall in the Cutter school. The committee did not ask for it. We have talked with some of the school committee, and find that they do not want halls in grammar schools. Every minute spent there by a school as a whole detracts from their regular class work. It seems to us that the school committee might well be consulted as to their needs. For a town nearly \$600,000 above its tax limit, in debt to its sinking fund, and owing one dollar for every ten of taxable property, such a wide open right as last Monday's can ill be borne. In two to three years the Russell school will overflow, having a gain of fifty scholars the past year, and the extra money not asked for should be diverted to that purpose, for putting in new seats in the Russell building or grading the Crosby school yard. It would seem that our committee of 21 abandoned its usual policy of defending its recommendations and combating other appropriations. We trust no further apathy will be tolerated by the town. The town has removed two obstacles to its growth in supplying pure water and sewerage. The third we have always with us, and we must be continually on the alert to avoid, viz., an unwarranted increase of our rate of taxation and bonded indebtedness. Let the town rescind this appropriation of \$2000, even if a town meeting has to be called for that purpose.

The Boers have met with a calamity in the death of Joubert.

Arlington will be proud of its new Cutter school when it is completed. It will be an ornament to the town.

MARRIED.

CLARK-BROCKWAY.—At Arlington Heights, March 28, by Rev Charles B Crane, Cambridge, Catherine A Brockway and Albert C Clark of Southbridge.

DIED.

SYMMES.—In Arlington, March 30, Harriet L., daughter of Stephen Symmes. Funeral notice later.

CAHALIN.—In Arlington, March 30, Thomas Cahalin, aged 62 years.

BIXBY.—At Arlington Heights, on the 25th inst., Leon Bixby, aged 30 years and 5 days.

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THE DROPPED NOTE.

The congregation was a good one at the people's service at the Baptist church on Sunday night. The chorus gave "Holy War" as their opening number, and led the congregation in "St. Gertrude," "Woodstock," "Shining shore," "Langran," and "Martyrdom." They were all familiar tunes, and the people sang them with a will. Dr. Watson had announced as his subject, "The dropped note in modern preaching." He took for his text words from Paul's sermon at Athens recorded in Acts xvii. 30: "Now, God calleth upon all men everywhere to repent." He said in outline that the entire atmosphere of the book of Acts was made vital by real preachers and real preaching. The book has been well called the "fifth gospel," in which the four preceding gospels were set on fire by the Holy Ghost and compelling men to act. It is not a bad time when men are thus energized for holy action to get a practical idea of sound gospel theory. If we detect the note they struck we know the secret of their effectiveness. If we lack effectiveness ourselves, a contrast of our activity with theirs will show us what note in the proclamation of the gospel we have dropped.

If we should compress our characterizations of apostolic preaching in one word we should have to say that it was effective. It had a keen, cutting edge, and an interior energy that drove the sword of truth to the vitals. Men were sure either to go one way or the other. It was with them either stones or tears. It lashed them into action of some sort—lethargic indifference seemed to be impossible. They were either "pricked to their hearts," cried out in contrition, sprang from evil into good by a strong inward compulsion, or else "they gnashed with their teeth," "took up stones and cast them," or "cast the apostles themselves into prison." Their earnest preaching proved that the gospel had a double effect: that the real energetic thrust of truth was either a savor of life unto life or of death unto death. Everywhere in the book it is shown that it was a proclamation that had in it the element of a shock. This idea leaps out of the Athenian description of it as they questioned and answered one another about Paul's preaching: "He seems to be a setter forth of startling divinities." Indeed some of the Athenians said to him, "Thou bringest certain startling things to our ears." And the reason was that the note they struck was the keynote. They never lost sight of a condition in human nature that most needs preaching—the condition of apostasy from God. There was a deep-seated moral malady from which men were to be saved, and the gospel they handled was the power of God unto salvation. Apostasy from God was so universal, and the fruits of it so rank, bitter, self-destructive, that Paul was compelled to say, even among the cultivated, prosperous and self-complacent Corinthians: "I am determined to know nothing among you but Jesus Christ and him crucified." He was not in the business of flattering cajoling, fawning upon a nature so manifestly depraved, covering it with a mush of concessions. Neither he nor any of the apostles ever left the hard pagan world in doubt as to what was the object of Christ's coming. They declared openly, earnestly, continuously the new ethical standard he had come to create, and presented as the one object of faith and faith's power, "He who had risen from the dead." The resurrection was the one tremendous and suitable culmination of such a gospel. No matter so urgent as a matter of life and death. That was the matter they were dealing with. It is still the matter the preacher is dealing with if he is a real preacher. Is the modern heart much changed from the pagan heart, or our age different from other ages, except in dress and in the pages of the calendar? The apostles were speaking of hearts not of customs, surface changes or clothes. They refused to take anything seriously but the most serious things. Therefore undaunted, unabashed by wit, wealth, power, high cultivation or philosophy, they dredged the heart-depths, and strongly grappled with the nether selfishness and ferocity of the brute man. So, in polished Athens it was the same as in the smoky huts of Galatia—a thrust at the sinful heart with the same message: "But now, God commandeth all men everywhere to repent."

We have to say that modern preaching is lacking in this one dominant, soul-compelling note. Therefore is it lacking in effectiveness. It concedes too much and compels too little. If it has authority, it is a kind of authority that leaves men languorous and unchanged. They can listen without shock or startle, and only sink deeper into the soft upholstery of their self-indulgence. It is too conciliatory too human nature. It dawdles too long with perishable stuff. It is too strenuous on the "majesty of man," forgetting that he has little majesty unless he is majestic. And he is only majestic when he is strong and true at the core. After a while man gets to be so much of a creature in his own estimation that truth has to be trimmed down, softened, rounded at the corners and formulated into pleasant confessions for his dainty palate. The preacher's strain becomes that of explanation and apology, and the proclamation that the world hears becomes almost abject as it seems to say: "You must have patience with us Christians, and not quarrel with us if we prefer to keep our faith: it is better than nothing. It does us no harm. We know that we are a poor lot. Perhaps you can help us to do better. We appeal to your generosity." O that will never do. Out upon an attitude so flabby and unheroic! It has lost all note of conviction and courage. To pretend to handle the apostolic gospel with such unreality, or to shuffle off evasively to "topics of the time," and play with the trappings and fringes of modern mental or foolish fashion, when paganism is again rearing its awful head in city and town—to do this is to be apostate. Better the uplifted head, the strident call from death to life, from sin unto God: the heart shouting aloud in joy of that which is the salvation and glory of manhood, as it reaches up to the ideal that taxes to their utmost the noblest powers of a man.

This contrast between Apostolic and modern preaching makes plain what note has dropped out of the latter. It is the note of repentance from sin. Paul showed that there was no violation of courtesy in faithfully sounding it out. He conceded that they were "exceedingly religious." Whatever there was in Athens' fine shows of sense he could appreciate, but he knew that the sword that he wielded must pierce them through. Therefore his religion began

where theirs left off. His message went straight to the heart of things, and stirred up the latent depths to a sense of sin and of judgment to come. "Terrifying intellect" was before him to be sure but he knew how much there was back of it, and shaded nothing down in his message, but in utterance ringing with magisterial authority cried out, "God now commandeth all men everywhere to repent." He was aware of what he was to strike. Sin and uncleanness are rarely affected, but quite commonly possessed. They have not vacated their old quarters—that we all know very well, so do not let us pretend to humbug ourselves. People are over hasty to cast them out of their creed long before they succeed in casting them out of their life. Many have got rid of the devil, but devilish people are still discoverable. Locks, bars, bolts, safes and vaults, are with us still, and policemen go about the streets. You parents, are solicitous about your children least they get corrupted even in this quiet town. We would better continue shaping our message to the actual condition, and acknowledge the ever present destroyer. There is a kind of optimism that is guilty and wilfully blind. Activities are rife in modern life that are devilish, and that are opening hell under many young feet. They do not cease when we turn our backs upon them and pronounce all sweet and pure. Sin first practised on shepherds, prophets, and saints, before it gathered itself up in mighty hatred to kill the son of God. It has not changed. If men see it as it is, they must see it in the white light of God's holiness as it falls in dreadful pallor upon the dead face on Calvary. If sin changes not, neither must God's ministers change their message. If sin makes the soul defiantly impatient, the gospel must be the more mightily faithful. There was a man in Florence more really magnificent than "Lorenzo the Magnificent". It was the one man that was unmoved by his threats or caresses—Savonarola. And when Lorenzo lay dying, and called the heroic priest to his bedside, he found that even in death there was something at least as strong and obstinate as sin, and that "was the prophet of God." "You must have great faith in God's mercy," said the priest. "I have—the greatest," replied Lorenzo. "You must restore or cause to be restored all monies taken by theft." Surprise and hostility passed over Lorenzo's face—then after a silence he nodded assent. Then standing over the dying prince the priest exclaimed: "You must give back to Florence all the liberties you have taken from her!" Now Lorenzo turns away his face in hard implacable disdain. And Savonarola glides out of his presence, leaving him to die unabsolved. To the impatient, faith in God's mercy is easier than righteousness, but the man of God must require fruits meet for repentance.

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ARLINGTON NEWS.

Dr. Percy visited his brother in Salem last Sunday.

Mrs. E. N. Rankin is soon to visit in Pittsburg, Penn.

Town meeting again on Monday evening at eight o'clock.

Miss Nellie S. Hardy is visiting friends in New York city.

On and after tomorrow all the town's help will be paid by the hour.

Rev. Mr. Gill addressed the Young Men's club on "Canada" last Tuesday evening.

We already see here and there, farmers out on their broad acres making ready for the spring's work.

Little Old Folks' concert after Easter. Rehearsals Mondays at 4.15 in the vestry of the Universalist church.

Mr. H. E. Gamester, of the firm of Gratto & Gamester, is the happy father of a boy baby, born Wednesday.

Mr. William E. Wood returned on Wednesday evening from a business trip to Milton and Wolfboro, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. Weatherley of New York is visiting Mrs. Weatherley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. J. Devereaux.

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Miss Nellie A. Grimes, teacher in the 7th grade, returned to her duty Tuesday, after a severe attack of the gripe.

On Saturday evening, April 7, the Arlington Young Men's club will give a dramatic entertainment in the Town hall.

There are quite a number of our young men who desire the position of census-takers for Arlington. The work begins in June.

At an entertainment given in Haverhill on Wednesday Mrs. Kidder, the reader, Mrs. Beauchemin and Dr. Derby took prominent part.

Do not forget the entertainment to be given on Wednesday evening, April 11, in the Town hall, by the Arlington Historical society.

"What would the apostles do?" is the subject of Dr. Watson's sermon tomorrow evening at the Baptist church. All are welcome. Service at 7.15.

The pretty girl astride her wheel is now to be seen on our streets. It is said that the present year is to surpass all previous ones in the bicycle world.

The ladies of the Baptist church will give the closing social of the season on Wednesday evening at 7.30. There will be entertainment and refreshments.

Miss Marcia West of Winchester who sang at the Scotch entertainment on Thursday evening, was a guest on Thursday night of Mrs. W. S. Durgin.

Mrs. Henry Hornblower, sang alto on Sunday at the Baptist Church in place of Mrs. Colman who was away on a visit with friends in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

There will be a whist party in G. A. R. hall on Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. Committee: Mrs. Farmer, Mrs. Stearns, Mrs. Marden, Mrs. Thayer and Mrs. Knowlton.

Tomorrow morning at the Universalist church, the pastor will speak on the last article of the denomination's new statement of belief, "The final harmony of all souls with God."

The Rev. George W. Cutter gave an interesting address before the Arlington Historical Society on Tuesday evening in Pleasant Hall on the life and character of Abraham Lincoln.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry G. Porter, with Miss Madeline Porter and Miss Myra Barker, started for Washington, D. C., on Thursday, where they are to visit for ten days or a fortnight.

Miss Sprague presided at the organ in the Pleasant street Congregational church on Sunday. She has been absent for several Sundays by reason of the illness of her mother.

The Misses Wellington left yesterday for Washington, D. C. They are to spend their week's vacation in Philadelphia, Baltimore and at the national capital. Their aunt, Mrs. Nagely, is with them.

The painting and oil and hard finish work, both inside and out, on Mr. Chase's house, corner Broadway and Palmer street, was done by Mr. J. W. Harrington, one of our popular painters, and it certainly reflects great credit to his ability in this line.

The Chocbrua Associates have hired the hall over D. W. Grannan's undertaker's establishment, and will fit up the same as a club room. The young men will no doubt add to their numbers by so doing. A pool table will also be added soon. Success to the boys.

The town officers have effected their respective organizations. B. Delmont Locke, clerk of selectmen and water commissioners; Mr. Swan, clerk of sewer commissioners and cemetery committee; Edward Farmer, chairman of selectmen, and Mr. Lane of the water board.

Tree Warden R. W. LeBaron has begun his good work by cutting down the dead trees in front of the Homer estate. As soon as the spring opens he will set out new trees to replace the old ones. Several more trees will have to come down. Mr. LeBaron is the right man for this position.

Mr. John Anderson of the Floating Hospital Association who so delightfully entertained the company in G. A. R. Hall on Thursday evening, took tea at that same evening with Mrs. H. G. Porter, and was the guest for the night of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Crosby.

One of the best things the town has done for a long time was the placing of an extra man as driver in the fire department. Heretofore the permanent men have been compelled to stay in the house 21 hours a day for seven days a week. Now each man can have a day or two each month to himself.

Last week Saturday Mr. Mark Sullivan, the popular blacksmith of Mill street, purchased from Mr. Edward Storer the entire tract of land back of his shop, some acre and a quarter. Mr. Sullivan intends to build a larger work-

shop for his business at a near date. The purchasing price was \$1200.

It is a pleasure for us to announce that Mrs. Thomas J. Robinson of Webster street, after a very severe sickness of several weeks, and all hopes for her recovery having been at one time thought doubtful, is slowly, and we trust surely, recovering. Her wide circle of friends hope she may again be up and among them soon.

Mrs. H. G. Porter, Mrs. Fred Hicks, and Mrs. Harry W. Bullard attended on Tuesday afternoon a meeting of the Browning Society in Boston, and listened to a delightful lecture given by President Hyde of Bowdoin College, on the "Optimism" of Browning.

Mr. William H. Pattee, of Jason st, who has been housed for eight weeks with rheumatism, is now well upon his feet again. Mr. Pattee is a live business man, so that it has been a long two months to him as a rheumatic. Mr. Pattee's many friends are glad to see him out again.

We have over and over again suggested to the people of Arlington, the bounded duty of us all to patronize home industries, and yet there are those of our town's people who will persist in filling their market baskets in Boston, and even in purchasing their daily papers there. Why not spend our money here where we reside.

We are informed, from a reliable source, that a new factory will be erected here for the manufacture of an article which will require skilled labor. The capital will be about \$100,000, and about 150 hands will be employed. This will be an assured fact, provided the town will exempt \$50,000 of this amount from taxation. Here is Arlington's chance.

The Arlington Glee club is to give a minstrel show on the evening of May 29, in the Town hall. The young ladies are also to interest themselves and appear in the circle, which will be indeed a novel feature. An enlarged chorus will add greatly to the success of the show. Mr. James Ford will act as interlocutor, while the affair will be under the management of Mr. James Mead.

Mr. H. B. Johnson, of the firm of LeBaron & Johnson, and Frank H. LeBaron, are at Lewiston, Me., putting in one of their compressed air fire alarm whistles, similar to the one in use in our town. This whistle will answer for both Lewiston and Auburn. Mr. R. W. LeBaron is to start Monday or Tuesday for that city to adjust and put the finishing touches on the system. This firm successfully competed against the Gamewell Electric Fire Alarm company, the largest fire alarm concern in the country, and was a signal victory for our local firm.

The Litchfield studio, now under the management of Messrs. Marshall & Grant, is a very busy place, and the work turned out by the new firm is fully up to the high standard maintained by Mr. Litchfield, and which won for him the wide and noted fame he enjoyed. This is not at all surprising, as both members of the above firm were for a number of years Mr. Litchfield's co-operators in bringing up the volume of business to its now immense proportions, and they being so closely connected know just what the patrons want, and how best to serve them.

In the death of Mrs. Harry G. Jones whose home was on Cleveland st. the stricken family have been bereft of a wife and mother whose entire life was centered in those she so dearly loved. To her home, Mrs. Jones gave that wealth of affection which distinguished her as the loving devoted wife and mother that she was. Her years of ill health she bore with a rare christian fortitude. The afflicted husband and two children will receive in this hour of their deep grief the heartfelt sympathy of their many friends.

It would be difficult to find a more agreeable gentleman to meet than is Mr. Charles Morrill of the Boston and Maine railroad, whose headquarters are at the main office in Boston. Mr. Morrill is always busy, yet he finds time to give one a cordial greeting. Mr. Morrill takes a personal pride in the Boston and Maine railroad, and knows no other material interest aside from it. The truth is, the entire official life of this great public thoroughfare through New England, is in all ways up to date. The Boston and Maine has distinguished itself in the railroad world.

Who was not delighted on Tuesday morning, as he awoke from his slumbers to find a new creation awaiting him? The trees so delicately and artistically clad in their livery of spotless white, presented to the eye a fairy-like scene, over which the dullest should have become enthusiastic. The art of arts can only be found in Nature at her best, and Nature is always at her best. This teaching of teachers never proves herself a laggard, nor does she ever take a day off. She is constantly busy with fingers that never weary in weaving and pencilling in rarest tints, and in outlines that embrace all that is grand and beautiful. Tuesday morning was both picture and poem to him whose ear and eye are attuned to the exquisite melodies and unique teachings of Nature in her almost endless variety of forms.

The pastor and members of the Universalist church have arranged for a series of lenten services to be held on Sunday and Thursday evenings, commencing tomorrow evening. Service commences at 7 o'clock Sunday even-

ings and 7.45 Thursday evenings. Tomorrow evening the preacher will be Rev. J. C. Lee, Ph. D., S. T. D., until recently president of St. Lawrence university of Canton, N. Y. Dr. Lee is of the well known Lee family for many years prominent in the Universalist denomination. The preacher Thursday evening will be Rev. C. W. Biddle, D. D., of Brookline, Mass., well known in this vicinity because of his long pastorate at the North Cambridge Universalist church. The regular organist and quartette will assist in the services. Tomorrow evening Miss Mable Foster of Somerville will render selections on the violin. Any one interested will be cordially welcome at the services.

Mr. Thomas Cahalin, a highly respected and one of Arlington's oldest citizens, died Monday at his home, corner of Grove and Summer streets. The deceased had resided in Arlington for many years, and for 35 of these he was employed in the now Fowle's drug mills but then owned and run by Jerome Fessenden. In 1875 he took a trip to Ireland, visiting his birthplace and other surrounding places. He also paid a visit to his brother's son, who is a parish priest there. Since his return he has employed himself about his property and small farm lands. For over a year he has been in poor health, and about four weeks ago he was taken to his bed, which he was never again able to leave. Heart trouble was probably the cause. The funeral was held in St. Malachy's church, Thursday forenoon. Solemn high mass was held, Miss Kittie McGrath singing the mass and solo parts in a clear and sweet voice. The pall bearers were Matthew Rowe, James Twohig, Marshall Larkin, Peter Conley, Peter McCue and William Burns. The interment was in Mt. Pleasant cemetery. A wife, two sons, F. J. and Thomas H. Cahalin, and three daughters, Miss Mary, Mrs. Thomas Tierney and Mrs. John Connelly survive the deceased.

The new lunch cart of Mr. A. C. LaBrequé which arrived Thursday morning was given a thorough inspection by the town's people. The new cart, or the "Columbian cafe" as it is to be known by, is a model of convenience. The outside decorations are neat and very tasty, but one has to enter the inside to find out the real merits of the same. The inside of the cafe is finished in panelled oak. Six French bevel plate mirrors adorn the sides, a table leaf runs around the cart and nice stools for the convenience of customers are placed about two feet apart. The place divided off for the kitchen is roomy and up-to-date in every particular. There is a high tier of drawers for pies, cake and serving dishes. A roomy ice chest is placed below the stove and a chest for tonics is handy of access. There is a large handsomely nickled coffee and hot water urn, also an ice water and milk urn. The closets, wash sink and dish drainer makes everything complete. A cash register has also been added. In fact, even the most fastidious may now lunch at this place. The old cart is to be stationed at the heights and managed by Mr. James Beavens.

Mr. F. Bowers' thumb, which was badly lacerated by a buzz saw on Mill street, is healing rapidly. The injury was attended to by Dr. Greene.

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Just as we go to press we are informed of the death of Miss Harriet L., daughter of Mr. Stephen Symmes, 52 old Mystic street. Her death was sudden although Miss Symmes has been in poor health for some time. Mr. Symmes has the sympathy of our citizens in his loss.

Perley Brown of Cambridge was fined \$5 in court this week for breaking electric lights at the heights.

Adjourned town meeting Monday evening. Let there be a good attendance.

FIRES.

Last Saturday afternoon at 4.18 the fire department was called out to respond to box 45. The fire was in a barn owned by Mr. James W. Brine at 1052 Mass. avenue, and had been burning some time before it was discovered, consequently it had made good headway when Hose 2 and Chemical 1 reached the scene. Hose 2 made a quick couple to the hydrants, and soon had a well-directed stream on the building, while the chemical did valuable service. The fire was confined to the upper story of barn, and it was a lucky thing that the hay had become matted together by the constant walking upon it, for the fire only burned the top, and a greater part of the roof was also burned off, but the horse and vehicles were removed without injury. While the fire was a stubborn one, it was handled in such a way as to cause a comparatively small loss, for, to use a fireman's expression, "it was a good job." Mr. Brine places his loss at about \$200. From all appearances, about as much water ran down Hoseman T. M. Canniff's back as on fire, he being drenched. But then Tim is every inch a fireman.

Sunday forenoon at 11.45 the department was called upon to respond to box 23, and it was found that a chimney in the house owned by Mrs. A. F. Cook was on fire, the soot in the same catching when Mrs. Cook started the fire. It is a wonder the partitions did not ignite, for when Mr. Edward L. Smith, who pulled in the alarm reached the house, the chimney was almost red hot in the kitchen. Hose 3 quickly had a line of hose laid, but it was not used. The truck boys, who are born fire-fighters, raised ladders, and placing a ladder on the roof reached the chimney, and by aid of the pony chemicals subdued the blaze. There was no damage, but plenty of excitement.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH NOTES.

Holy communion at St. John's church with morning prayer, at 10.30 on Sunday.

The week beginning with Sunday is called Passion week, and the following week is holy week.

The Rev. James Yeames will preach at both services on Sunday in St. John's church, Academy st.

"Suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried," will be the subject of Rev. James Yeames's fourth lecture on the Apostles' Creed on Sunday evening.

Class of candidates for confirmation in the parish house, Maple st. on Sunday at 4 o'clock.

The lenten cantata "The Story of Calvary," will be sung in St. John's church on Monday evening, by the vested choir of St. Peter's church, Jamaica Plain.

In consequence of the school vacation the Loyal Temperance legion will not meet on Monday.

A quiet lenten morning for women will be held at St. John's church on Friday morning next, from 9 till 12.30. The Rev. Dr. Shinn of Newton will give three addresses on carrying religion into the home, why some homes are not happy, hallowed associations with the home. There will be intervals for meditation and prayer between the addresses. All women are most cordially invited.

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